

**State of California
Department of Parks and Recreation
NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

CEQA ID#6742

TO: Office of Planning and Research
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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
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PROJECT TITLE: Seismic Station Improvements, Auburn State Recreation Area

LOCATION: Auburn State Recreation Area **COUNTY:** Placer

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

Improve an existing seismic station within Auburn State Recreation Area (SRA) to provide remote digital access. The new construction will install a 4-foot by 4-foot concrete pad and install an 8-10 foot antenna on the pad. The antenna will be painted green to blend in with the environment. The U.S. Geological Survey is installing the improvements and operating the station through an agreement with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, who owns the land within the SRA. The California Department of Parks and Recreation will review and approve the agreement.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Gold Fields District

EXEMPT STATUS: ☒ Categorical Exemption Class: 3, 5 Section: 15303, 15305

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

Project consists of the installation of a minor improvement to an existing facility and DPR will be concurring with a right of entry/construction easement for the project and is included as "new construction or conversion of small structures" and "issuance of easements and permits" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR 15300.4.

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